IN THE CLAIMS:

A presentation of all of the pending claims with their current status indicated follows.

1. (Currently amended) A system for storing knowledge, information and data (KID), comprising:

a plurality of sources of KID;

a plurality of receivers of KID from said plurality of sources;

a universal knowledge, information and data store (UKIDS); and

an interface coupling said receivers and said UKIDS, said interface providing a plurality of logical partitions for segregating and storing said KID in a priority-based and standardized scheme within said UKIDS, wherein said priority based scheme reflects personal and professional core values of a free enterprise economic system, and wherein said standardized scheme includes a clustering of KID to promote transferability between said receivers, extensibility across data store platforms and scalability in understanding of said KID by each of said receivers by providing a plurality of professional scheme models at an enterprise view, a business unit view, a division view, departmental view, team view and an individual view, said interface further providing rules and tools for configuring said UKIDS and for storing and accessing KID included therein;

wherein said rules define methods for allocating KID within one of said plurality of logical partitions, for purging KID from said UKIDS, and for efficiently sharing and distributing KID between said receivers;

wherein said tools include features and functions for presenting news and advertising of interest to said receivers, for identifying targeted storage locations within specific ones of said plurality of logical partitions, for backup and archiving KID and for securing KID in said UKIDS; and

wherein a first level of said logical partitions segregates KID storage into personal and professional levels, wherein a plurality of second personal levels under said first personal level segregates KID storage into a ~~teams of people~~ TEAMS OF PEOPLE subset, an ~~activities~~ ACTIVITIES subset and an ~~organization and administration~~ ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION subset, and wherein a plurality of second professional levels under said first professional level and said plurality of professional scheme models segregates KID storage

into categories of said free enterprise economic system including a ~~clients~~ CLIENTS subset, an ~~output~~ OUTPUT subset, a ~~teams~~ TEAMS subset and an ~~administration~~ ADMINISTRATION subset.

2. (Currently amended) The storage system of claim 1 wherein said ~~teams of people~~ TEAMS OF PEOPLE subset includes KID pertaining to family, friends, and other groups of person of interest to said receivers.

3. (Currently amended) The storage system of claim 1 wherein said ~~activities and organizations~~ ACTIVITIES subset includes KID pertaining to vacations, sports, entertainment, spirituality, hobbies, and other activities.

4. (Currently amended) The storage system of claim 1 wherein said ~~organization and administration~~ ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION subset includes KID pertaining to home upkeep, bills and other financial concerns.

5. (Currently amended) The storage system of claim 1 wherein said ~~clients~~ CLIENTS subset includes KID pertaining to philosophical groups of internal and external clients, customers, patrons, client projects, markets, key vendors, and sales territories.

6. (Currently amended) The storage system of claim 1 wherein said ~~output~~ OUTPUT subset includes KID pertaining to products, services, value added products and services, and any of the aforementioned offered to clients.

7. (Currently amended) The storage system of claim 1 wherein said ~~teams~~ TEAMS subset includes KID pertaining to partnerships, collaborations, and any grouping of individuals that provide output to clients.

8. (Currently amended)   The storage system of claim 1 wherein said ~~administration~~ ADMINISTRATION subset includes KID pertaining to an operation and coordination of a business, business services, work flow and personnel, and non-core job responsibility.

9. (Previously presented)   The storage system of claim 1 wherein said UKIDS spans a plurality of data storage platforms including electronic and hard-copy storage means.

10. (Original)   The storage system of claim 9 wherein said electronic storage means includes computer hard drives, backup and recovery media and off-line storage media.

11. (Previously presented)   The storage system of claim 10 wherein said hard-copy storage means includes bookcases, filing cabinets and desk tops.

12. (Previously presented)   The storage system of claim 1 wherein said interface includes a graphical user interface that allows each of said receivers direct access to electronic stored KID within said logical partitions of said UKIDS and to launch one or more of said tools.

13. (Previously presented)   The storage system of claim 1 wherein said interface allows each of said receivers to distribute KID to other of said receivers and to identify a targeted location for storing said KID within one of said plurality of logical partitions.

14. (Previously presented)   The storage system of claim 13 wherein said targeted storage location is comprised of a path for manual storage of said distributed KID within said logical partitions.

15. (Previously presented)   The storage system of claim 13 wherein said targeted storage location is comprised of at least a partially automated one of said tools such that, upon request, said distributed KID is automatically stored in a specified one of said logical partitions.

16. (Currently amended) A storage management system, comprising:

a universal knowledge information and data store (UKIDS); and

an interface coupled to said UKIDS, said interface providing a plurality of logical partitions for segregating and storing knowledge, information and data (KID) in a priority-based and standardized scheme within said UKIDS, wherein said priority based scheme reflects personal and professional core values of a free enterprise economic system, and wherein said standardized scheme includes a universal clustering of KID to promote transferability between receivers of said KID, extensibility across data store platforms and scalability in understanding of said KID by each of said receivers by providing a plurality of professional scheme models at an enterprise view, a business unit view, a division view, departmental view, team view and an individual view, said interface further providing rules and tools for configuring said UKIDS and for storing and accessing KID included therein;

wherein said rules define methods for allocating KID within one of said plurality of logical partitions, for purging KID from said UKIDS, and for efficiently sharing and distributing KID between said receivers;

wherein said tools include features and functions for presenting news and advertising of interest to said receivers, for identifying targeted storage locations within specific ones of said plurality of logical partitions, for backup and archiving KID and for securing KID in said UKIDS; and

wherein a first level of said logical partitions segregates KID storage into personal and professional levels, wherein a plurality of second personal levels under said first personal level segregates KID storage into a ~~teams of people~~ TEAMS OF PEOPLE subset, an ~~activities and organization~~ ACTIVITIES subset and an ~~organization and administration~~ ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION subset, and wherein a plurality of second professional levels under said first professional level and said plurality of professional scheme models segregates KID storage into categories of said free enterprise economic system including a ~~clients~~ CLIENTS subset, an ~~output~~ OUTPUT subset, a ~~teams~~ TEAMS subset and an ~~administration~~ ADMINISTRATION subset.

17. (Currently amended) The storage system of claim 1, wherein said ~~clustering of KID within said standardized scheme is adapted to particular needs of an industry, a company, a business unit of said company, department within said company, a group and/or a team within said department, and individual employees of said company~~ rules for allocating KID include using said priority based scheme of said plurality of logical partitions to break ties when KID could be placed in more than one level and subset within said levels.

18. (Currently amended) The storage system of claim 1, wherein said rules for allocating KID include:

~~maintaining a minimum number of electronic storage locations by~~ eliminating software application default storage locations such that electronic KID is stored within one of said plurality of logical partitions;

implementing ~~a minimum number of total~~ one storage system spanning electronic and physical storage locations;

using said priority based scheme of said plurality of logical partitions to ~~dictate an appropriate storage level for~~ break ties when KID ~~that~~ could be placed in more than one level and subset within said levels;

using a general subset for ~~segregating~~ storing KID that properly references more than one of subset of said logical partitions;

~~naming~~ labeling all KID so as to include at least a date and ~~content information in~~ a title thereof;

employing a numerical indication of priority within a subset label for a selected subset when said selected subset contains a relatively large number of KID subsets;

maximizing ~~exposure to guides, maps and labels itemizing contents~~ availability of icons representing subsets of said logical partitions to highlight pathways for locating KID;

when options for searching one subset of said plurality of logical partitions exceeds a predetermined number of KID storage ~~items~~ locations, re-organizing said subset through sub-categorization;

arranging physical storage locations to reflect said priority based scheme of said plurality of logical partitions and consistently labeling ~~UKIDS levels and subsets to reflect contents of~~ said ~~logical partitions~~ physical storage locations;

establishing guidelines for duration of KID storage in electronic and physical UKIDS storage means; and

naming subset KID storage categories to describe content and context of the KID being stored therein.

19. (Previously presented) The storage system of claim 1, wherein said rules for purging KID include, at a predetermined time period:

separating KID into a first category of KID that is needed, a second category of KID that is not needed but retained on hand, and a third category of KID that is not needed and not retained;

purging said third category; and

placing said second category into a long term storage location.

20. (Previously presented) The storage system of claim 1, wherein said rules for purging KID include, when an employee leaves a position, providing a copy of said plurality of personal levels to said employee, moving said plurality of personal levels to a long term storage location, and purging said personal levels from said UKIDS.

21. (Previously presented) The storage system of claim 1, wherein said rules for sharing and distributing KID include:

prior to when an employee leaves a position, having said employee provide their successor employee a tour of said plurality of logical partitions within said UKIDS and identify important KID stored therein;

identifying to a recipient receiver a targeted location for storing distributed KID within one of said plurality of logical partitions; and

employing quantity reduction and content quality improvement goals for reducing a volume of distributed KID.

22. (Currently amended) A system for storing knowledge, information and data (KID), comprising:

a plurality of sources of KID;

a plurality of receivers of KID from said plurality of sources;

a universal knowledge, information and data store (UKIDS); and

an interface coupling said receivers and said UKIDS, said interface providing a plurality of logical partitions for segregating and storing said KID in a priority-based and standardized scheme within said UKIDS, wherein said priority based scheme reflects personal and professional core values of a free enterprise economic system, and wherein said standardized scheme includes a clustering of KID to promote transferability between said receivers, extensibility across data store platforms and scalability in understanding of said KID by each of said receivers by providing a plurality of professional scheme models at two or more of an enterprise view, a business unit view, a division view, departmental view, team view and an individual view, said interface further providing rules and tools for configuring said UKIDS and for storing and accessing KID included therein;

wherein said rules define methods for allocating KID within one of said plurality of logical partitions, for purging KID from said UKIDS, and for efficiently sharing and distributing KID between said receivers;

wherein said tools include features and functions for presenting news and advertising of interest to said receivers, for identifying targeted storage locations within specific ones of said plurality of logical partitions, for backup and archiving KID and for securing KID in said UKIDS; and

wherein a first level of said logical partitions segregates KID storage into personal and professional levels, wherein a plurality of second ~~personal~~ professional levels under said first professional level and said plurality of professional scheme models segregates KID storage into categories of said free enterprise economic system including a ~~clients~~ CLIENTS subset, an ~~output~~ OUTPUT subset, a ~~teams~~ TEAMS subset and an ~~administration~~ ADMINISTRATION subset.